

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Seneca Middle School

Oconee

Grades: 6-8 **Enrollment: 801**

Principal: LeRoy

Superintendent: Dr. Mike Lucas **Board Chair: Andy Inabinet**

PERFORMANCE

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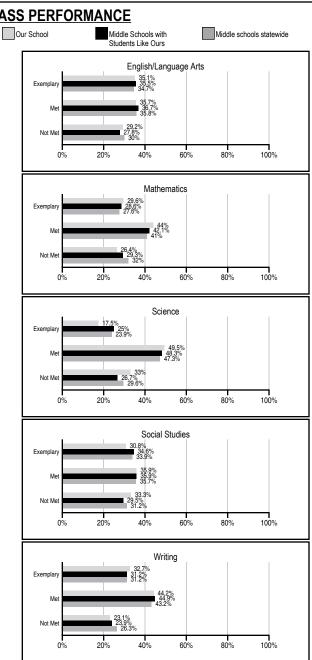
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2013	Average	Average	TBD	TBD	С	N/A
2012	Average	Good	Silver	N/A	В	N/A
2011	Average	Average	Silver	N/A	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
3	21	35	1	1

^{*} Ratings are calculated with data available by 01/15/2014. Schools with Students Like Ours are Middle Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

PASS PERFORMANCE



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Parcentages at NAEP Achievement Levels

READING - GRADE	E 8 (2011)				
South Carolina	28	45	25 2		
Nation	25	43	29 3		
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced ■ Below Basic □ Proficient ■ Advanced					
MATH – GRADE 8 (2011)					
South Carolina	30	38	25 7		
Nation	28	39	26 8		
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced Below Basic Proficient Advanced					
SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2011)					
South Carolina	39	32	27		
		32	29 2		
Nation [36	32	23		

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2013					
% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours			
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	100.0	95.6			
English 1	98.4	94.6			
Physical Science	N/A	N/A			
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A			
All Subjects	99.4	95.2			

SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n=801)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	94.5%	Up from 64.7%	25.7%	24.6%
Retention rate	0.1%	Up from 0.0%	0.7%	0.6%
Attendance rate	96.1%	Up from 96.0%	95.8%	95.9%
Served by gifted and talented program	25.2%	N/A	21.0%	18.5%
With disabilities	15.1%	N/A	13.8%	13.0%
Older than usual for grade	4.0%	N/A	5.1%	4.8%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.1%	Down from 1.5%	0.8%	0.6%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=56)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	75.0%	Down from 80.8%	62.4%	61.5%
Continuing contract teachers	91.1%	Down from 92.3%	83.3%	77.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	93.4%	Up from 92.3%	88.1%	85.9%
Teacher attendance rate	94.4%	Up from 92.6%	94.5%	94.9%
Average teacher salary*	\$49,989	Up 2.8%	\$48,289	\$47,313
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	2.0%
Professional development days/teacher	8.2 days	No Change	9.0 days	10.1 days
School				
Principal's years at school	7.0	Up from 6.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.2 to 1	N/R	22.2 to 1	22.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.7%	Up from 87.7%	89.3%	89.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	99.4%	Down from 100.0%	98.5%	99.0%
Character development program	Good	No Change	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,726	Down 7.3%	\$7,170	\$7,239
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	68.0%	Up from 65.0%	63.0%	63.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	67.0%	Up from 63.1%	60.5%	61.0%
ESEA composite index score Length of contract = 185+ days.	75.8	Down from 82.1	85.3	83.5
Longer or conduct - 100' days.				

^{**} Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	47	223	158
Percent satisfied with learning environment	97.9%	81.2%	82.9%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	97.9%	80.4%	76%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	91.3%	89.3%	79.8%

^{*}Only students at the highest middle school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The Seneca Middle School family of students, faculty, staff, parents, and community celebrated an exceptional 2012-13 school year. We began the year with the following curricular goals at the forefront of our instructional program: differentiate instruction in all classes to reach all students, teach and model literacy in all classrooms to provide growth in our greatest student achievement deficiency, increase quality and quantity of formative assessments, and use data to drive instruction.

As we proceeded through the year, our school was honored to receive many accolades and recognitions. We began the year by celebrating our school being named a Palmetto Silver Award recipient. We continued our systemic implementation of the MMGW framework and continued to execute recommendations made from our Technical Assistance Visit. The effects of our advisory period, PBIS program, and tremendous parent/faculty/student effort created yet another year of reduction in disciplinary referrals from last school year continuing a 4-year pattern of disciplinary reductions from the previous school year. SMS successfully completed another year of single gender instruction in our Health/PE, Chorus, and our advisory periods. Over 90% of our 7th and 8th graders received a minimum of .5 high school credits toward his or her diploma this school year. 29 Wildcats were named South Carolina Junior Scholars, 7 students were selected as Duke TIP Scholars. 3 students placed in the top 3% and 2 others placed in the top 10% of area middle and high school students on the Biology Merit Exam, our girls' basketball team won the regular season NCMSAA Conference Championships, an 8th grade female athletes placed 5th in the discus and shot put at the AAA state finals in track and field, another 8th grade female athlete placed 3rd in the 400 M hurdles and 4th in the 4 X 400 M relays, 2 Wildcats were selected to participate in the SC Governor's School for Arts and Humanities Summer Discovery Program, an 8th grader was selected to the All State Orchestra - one of only 36 students statewide selected for this honor, and we had two faculty members participate in the Global Education Symposium in Washington, DC. Our Choral Program placed 6th out of 54 choirs competing in the South Carolina State Choral Festival. They also placed the highest of all middle school choirs at the Heritage Music Festival in Nashville, TN this year. All in all, we have had a fantastic year!

Seneca Middle School is gifted with excellent faculty, staff, students, parents, and community who, together, mold and prepare our greatest resource - our children.

Al D. LeRoy, Principal Ms. Cynthia J. Smith, School Improvement Council Chair